



Community Connect Awards – South Carolina

2013 Grant Awards:

County of Orangeburg

Community: Pleasant Branch

Grant Amount: \$1,009,565

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County: Orangeburg County, South Carolina

Congressional District: SC-06 (project); SC-06 (awardee)

The County of Orangeburg will use RUS grant funding to deploy a FTTP broadband system to serve residents and businesses in the Pleasant Branch community. Pleasant Branch is located in the western portion of Orangeburg County and is a persistent poverty county. Through the Community Connect project, service at the Broadband Grant Speed of 5 Mbps (upload and download speeds combined) will be provided to all residents and businesses throughout Pleasant Branch. Additionally, service will be provided to all Critical Community Facilities for free for at least two years.